Bar Hill News

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— INFORMATION —

From 1 **October** the Recycling Centres at Milton and Thriplow will switch to their winter opening times: 9am–4pm for Milton; 8am–4pm for Thriplow, both Monday to Sunday.
For full information visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk

— ART EXHIBITION —

7th–8th October from **11am–4pm** each day in the Village Hall, High Street, Dry Drayton.
Dry Drayton Art Group presents an exhibition of work by local painters including artists from Bar Hill.
All welcome, light refreshments available.

BIGGEST ROAD UPGRADE LEADS THE WAY ON ENVIRONMENT

Here is a link to the above piece: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/biggest-road-upgrade-leads-the-way-on-environment
I'm sorry – I have no copies to disseminate...

— BAR HILL VILLAGE WEBSITE —

www.barhill.org.uk
You can find updates on matters such as the A14 works, Northstowe, Topland and the environment on the Bar Hill Village website, along with lots of other information.
If you wish to put an item on the website, get in touch with the webmaster by either following the links on the website, or e-mailing: barhill@machineconcepts.co.uk
Your Bar Hill News is also available, without advertising pages, about 10 days before the paper copy is delivered.

A.G.M.—BAR HILL VILLAGE HALL

The Annual General Meeting of the Bar Hill Village Hall will be held on Thursday **5th October** 2017 at **7.30pm**.
Please come along if you can.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT DAY

Saturday 25th November from 10.30am–4pm at The Octagon.
You are welcome to join us for a day, or half day, of festive crafts and lunch.
Whole day: £5; Half day + lunch: £4.
Morning session: 10.30–1pm;
Christmas Ploughman's Lunch: 1–2pm;
Afternoon session: 2pm–4pm.
Activities will include Pyrography, Knit-in Lace Christmas trees, Box Frame Pictures, Jewellery, Brooches and more.
This is suitable from Year 6 upwards.
Each activity will be led by a "crafty lady" experienced in that craft.
Costs include lunch (to be booked in advance) with tea/coffee and biscuits before each session.
Each activity will be priced modestly to cover the cost of materials.
Please contact: Karen Austen **01954 781085** by **Friday 10th November** to book your place and your lunch, as numbers will be limited.

The 2017 Jubilee Fête... and now for 2018

Few attending the 2017 Fête will deny that it was an enormous success, both during the day and in the evening. Planning for it began in September 2016 when three long-serving members of the Fête Committee decided it would be the last they would help to organise. **Now, new people with new ideas for the 2018 Bar Hill Fête are welcome.**
Meetings of the committee take place bi-monthly from October until March, then monthly till the Fête. Although the three retiring members have undertaken much of the organisation, their tasks could be delegated among more members. There is no obligation to become a member of the full Residents' Association Committee.
So come and join us for a meeting of the existing Fête Committee on:

11th October at **7.30pm** in the **Village Hall Committee Room**

where members can answer any questions you may have. This will be the last meeting of the Fête Committee as it stands.

It's your Village Fête, held every year, with one exception, since 1972.
Don't let it lapse by sitting back and doing nothing.
Contact Roger Hall, Chairman, Bar Hill Residents' Association: T: **01954 780304**; E: roger.hall90@ntlworld.com.

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Thursday afternoon opening – from **5th October**, Willingham Surgery will open a small clinic on Thursday afternoons. A limited number of advance bookings with the GP will be available. Please note the Dispensary and Pharmacy will remain **CLOSED**.

Flu clinics – are now booking at both surgeries. The vaccination is recommended (and free!) to all patients over the age of 65, pregnant women and those patients who have long term medical conditions regardless of age. If you are unsure please ask. Please book an appointment.

Private flu vaccinations – are available from the pharmacy at a cost of £10 for those who are not eligible for a free NHS flu vaccination. Please ask in pharmacy.

Flu vaccines for healthy children – the campaign to reduce flu in the community continues this year by vaccinating healthy children. This winter, children born between 01/09/2013 and 31/08/2015 are eligible to receive the free nasal flu vaccination at the surgery. Please make an appointment.

NHS electronic prescription service (EPS) from the end of September you can send your repeat prescription to any pharmacy electronically. More details at reception or Willingham Pharmacy.

HepB for babies – has now been added to the vaccination programme. Any child born on or after 01.08.17 will be eligible.

Surgery closure afternoon – please note the surgery will be **CLOSED** due to staff training on Thursday **9th November** from **1pm**.

Patient surveys – we conduct a patient survey annually in order to get your feedback. You may be asked to complete a questionnaire when you attend the surgery, or you can do so anonymously online via our website www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk. Your feedback is greatly valued.

Carers support meetings – our next meetings at Willingham Surgery are on 4th October, 1st November and 6th December at 2pm. Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or e-mail susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

Cambridgeshire hearing clinics – the next clinics at Willingham Surgery are at 2pm on 18th October, 15th November and 20th December. No appointment necessary, just pop along for free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

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Sharon Unwin, Practice Manager

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BAR HILL BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Wednesdays and **Friday** (term time)
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— CAMBRIDGE PINKS — BREAST CANCER NOW REGIONAL GROUP

Cambridge breast cancer now

Only a few more days left to register for our second walk: On **Sunday 15th October** we will be walking the tow path from Milton to Waterbeach, if you would like to join in, e-mail Avril (address below) to receive your registration pack. We hope to see lots of pink outfits on our walk to mark Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Breast Cancer Now's wear it pink event will be on **Friday 20th October**. You can get your participation pack from http://wearitpink.org/signup.

Our Just Giving page is https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cambridge-pinks-bcn.

If you would like to get involved in fundraising for Breast Cancer Now then please do get in touch.

If you would like to find out more about Breast Cancer Now and how your donations will be used then visit our website www.breastcancernow.org.

Breast Cancer Now's mission is to fund innovative world class research into Breast Cancer. Here in Cambridge Breast Cancer Now is funding researchers who are learning about the genetics of breast cancer and finding new genes involved in breast cancer.

Avril Williams, avril.williams1@btinternet.com

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Tuesday 10th October 2017 4pm—8pm
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We are hosting a 2 part event – you can book to attend both or just one part.

Part 1: 4pm to 6pm Duties of trustees training. This aims to help committee members/ trustees to better understand their role and responsibilities This session will be helpful both to new trustees as well as people who may have been trustees for some time but who would welcome the chance to revise some of the key responsibilities.

6.00pm to 6.30pm refreshments & networking.

Part 2: 6.30pm to 8pm Guidance on fundraising. After refreshments and the opportunity to network there will be the chance to hear speakers who can offer a range of funding guidance and to ask them your questions. Those participating:

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— BAR HILL CHILDMINDERS —

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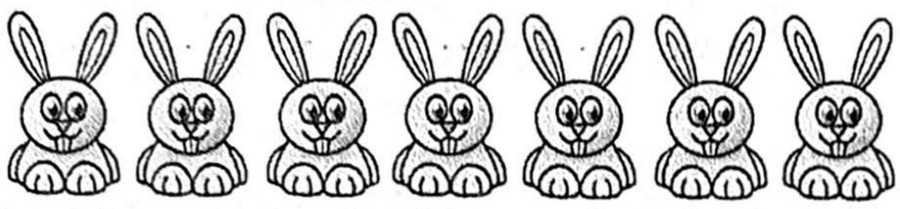

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— BAR HILL CRICKET CLUB —

It's been a month of big news for Bar Hill with two major 'victories' off the pitch.

First, Dave Underhay and Ash Curry won a regional OSCA – the England and Wales Cricket Board's awards scheme for dedicated volunteers. They won in the Get the Game On category for their tireless work preparing the pitch before and during the season and will now go up to Lord's for the national final in October.

Our head coach Dave Allsopp was commended in the Heartbeat of the Club category.

The second piece of good news was that we have now been awarded Clubmark status, meaning we are officially a well-run club which adheres to higher standards of welfare, equity, coaching and management.

This has been a real team effort, but particular thanks must go to Tony Moffat for co-ordinating the process and, as Clubmark is of great importance in youth cricket, to head coach Dave Allsopp.

On the pitch, unfortunately, defeat to key rivals Wilburton meant we were unable to finish in the promotion positions in the league.

Sam Clare scored 43 and Adam Dean 38 but Bar Hill's total of 133 was passed by Wilburton with seven wickets in hand.

The last match of the season was abandoned due to bad light after Bar Hill and opponents Histon had done their best to beat bad weather earlier in the day. Phil Orvis was the top scorer with 32.

The end of season presentation night is on September 30. Just in case the Bar Hill News is out a little early, I'll keep the winners a secret until next month!

For the latest news and all other information about the club, or if you are interested in joining or volunteering, visit www.barhillcricket.org.uk or call the number below.

Paul Stimpson, 01954 201212

— HOARDING —

Hoarding is a serious and complex issue that goes far beyond simple untidiness. It is a recognised mental health condition requiring careful treatment. Hoarding is a widespread issue affecting between 2% and 3% of the population – approximately 1.2 million people in the UK.

People who display hoarding behaviours excessively collect items such as newspapers, books, clothing, and in some cases rubbish, rotten food and animals, resulting in unmanageable amounts of clutter. This in turn can cause serious health problems, structural damage, pest infestations and serious risk of fire.

Since 2014, we have engaged with over 50 households in South Cambridgeshire alone. In more serious cases, it can sometimes lead to emotionally distressing enforced clearances. People who display hoarding behaviours need help to learn how to change the way they think about acquiring, purchasing, or collecting as well as how they relate to their belongings.

If you discover someone displaying hoarding behaviours, you can find help and practical advice at www.helpforhoarders.co.uk or contact South Cambridgeshire District Council on 03450 450 063.

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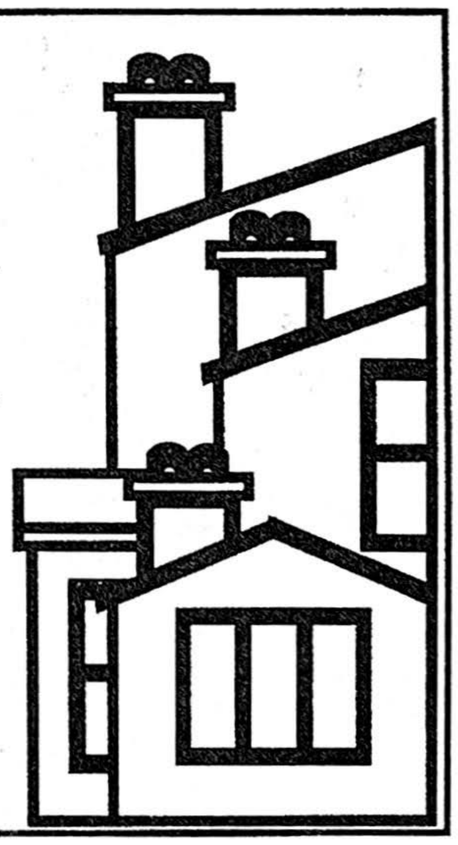

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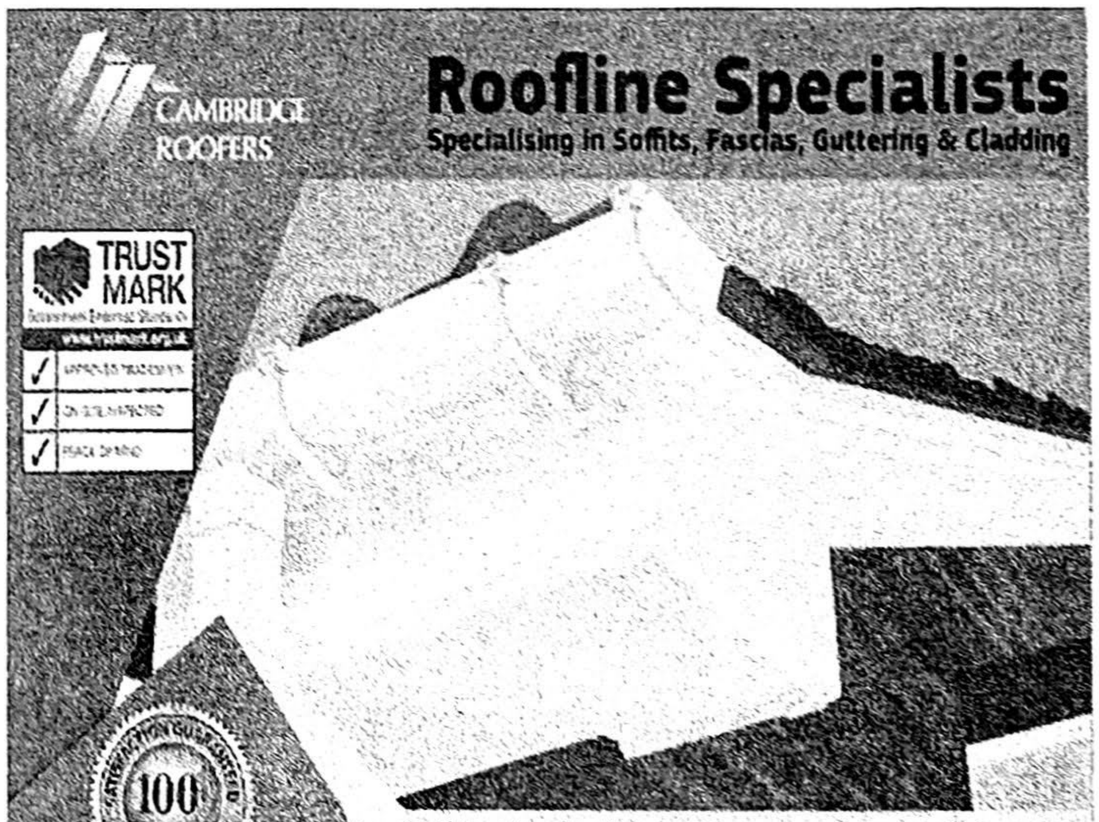

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— COUNCILLOR NOTES —

Recycling News – councillors have backed plans to simplify the kerb-side collection of recycling materials for residents across South Cambridgeshire.

The plans were supported at a meeting of the District Council's Cabinet which will see residents place paper directly into their blue wheelie bins, eliminating the need for paper caddies. The change will mean vehicles will cover around 26,000 fewer miles per year. This will lower fuel costs and reduced CO2 emissions. A reduction in collection trucks means that around £670,000 of savings can be achieved during the next seven years. Removing paper caddies will also reduce heavy lifting being carried out by refuse workers.

Swavesey as a Travel Hub – research has revealed that over 90% of people leaving their car or bike at the Swavesey Busway stop before boarding a guided bus come from the village or neighbouring Over – with councilors saying more rural travel hubs like this are being investigated. The Swavesey hub is helping local people access more frequent public transport links closer to their homes – and councilors have said that more should follow.

Business Rate Relief – around 300 South Cambridgeshire companies will benefit from financial relief from increases in business rates, it has been confirmed. A support package was agreed at the South Cambridgeshire District Council's Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder's meeting in August.

This comes after the Chancellor announced a £300million fund to support those firms facing the steepest rises in business rates, because of changes to the way their rates are calculated. South Cambridgeshire District Council has been allocated a total of £849,000 over four years by the Government, to pass on to local businesses affected, in the form of rate relief.

Antisocial Parking – is the responsibility of the police, this is a problem in so many villages the police would like you to report it http//:tinyurl.com/SouthCambs-parking. By reporting it, it will help to build up a picture where the problems are.

A14 Community Fund – local projects have already received funding from the A14 Community Fund, which launched last year. The fund looks to support local activities that focus on bringing communities closer together and over £50,000 has been allocated to date. For more information about the A14 Community Fund visit cambscf.org.uk/A14.html

Our contact details if we can help in any way:

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— HEIDI ALLEN MP —

My new office address: 82A High Street, Sawston CB22 3HJ; tel: **01223 830 037.**

I visited Addenbrooke's to shadow the bed managers in the operations centre. They have the challenging job of managing patient flow and beds across the whole hospital, 24 hours a day. Given the huge scale of the task and the challenges of our growing, ageing population and the great pull of Addenbrooke's reputation, they do an amazing job. I'd like to thank the whole team for allowing me to spend the morning with them! Spending a morning in the hospital reminded me of the need for blood donations, so I popped round the corner to the permanent donation centre at Addenbrooke's. They are open 6 days a week and with free parking – and biscuits! – so there really is no excuse. It's honestly not painful! Simply go to www.blood.co.uk or call **0300 123 2323** to book an appointment. It really does save lives.

I continue to work hard to improve our transport infrastructure across South Cambridgeshire so am delighted our aspiration to build a railway station at Addenbrooke's has been given the thumbs up by the Secretary of State for Transport. I shared our proposals with him just before the Summer recess and he swiftly grasped the need to ensure the Biomedical Campus reaches its full potential as a world renowned centre of excellence. I am confident this station will not only secure the local economy, but also ease congestion by removing many of the cars who currently commute to the campus from our roads. I also continue to work closely with local communities to improve our rural public transport.

Whippet's recent announcement to reduce some of their services understandably caused a lot of concern amongst our parishes, so I was relieved that the County Council have retained most of South Cambridgeshire's services albeit with some changes. Bus provision remains a complex issue in rural areas and I encourage you to lobby your local County Councillor to ensure they are aware of your concerns and transport needs.

Details of all the upcoming surgeries can be found on my website at www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/residents-drop-surgeries. You'll also find further information about my work and news stories there.

To contact me, e-mail heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk. You can also phone my Westminster Office on **020 7219 5091** about national issues or my constituency office on **01223 830037** to raise local concerns.

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Our inside area provides views across the village green in a inviting and welcoming atmosphere. Children can access toys and equipment independently. Skills are developed through activities and routines eg children help to prepare snack with safety knives and learn about how to stay healthy. Lunch clubs are a social time and adults sit at tables with children while they eat own packed lunch, encouraging friendships and social skills.

The extended outdoor learning environment provides opportunities from growing fruit and vegetables for our snack bar to exploring the mud kitchen, large sand pit and our sensory garden.

We welcome visitors from the local community that support our curriculum further.

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— COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT —

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Again I urge you **to be vigilant about possible scammers.** Most recently residents have raised concerns about door to door salesmen. Alarmingly it seems that the many of the door to door pedlars are young people, duped into buying stock and then driven around by a gang master to sell their goods. It is illegal to sell door to door without a pedlars' licence and many of those engaged in this activity are unaware of this requirement. Police advice is not to buy or sell at your door. To do so only encourages continuation of the activity. The best thing to do is to politely decline their offers. There is some very helpful advice from the police about this subject at: https://southcambscops.org/2013/05/20/door-to-door-sales-what-you-should-know/

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any comments or questions you may have. If you would like to receive a copy of the full report that I write for the division's parish councils each month, please do email me and I will add you to its circulation.

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— FAMILY HISTORY SESSIONS — BAR HILL LIBRARY

Caroline Norton from the Cambridgeshire Family History Society will be running drop-in sessions at the library as follows for the rest of the year:

Monday 20th November, 10am–4pm

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— REGULAR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR OLDER PEOPLE IN BAR HILL —

Mondays: 6.30–7.15pm. Shape & tone: *low impact, toning, pilates and stretch exercises*. Bar Hill Church. Contact Simon Gurry: 01223 236945 for more information.

Tuesdays from 10–11am. Over 55s aerobics & circuits. Bar Hill Church. Contact Simon Gurry: 01223 236945 for more information.

Fourth Tuesday of month: 9.30–11.30am. Cambridge Hearing Help: *advice, hearing and maintenance session, and batteries for NHS hearing aids*. Maple Surgery. Contact Frances Dewhurst: 01223 416141 for more information.

Fourth Tuesday of month: 10.30am–1pm *(phone to check)*. **Carers Trust drop-in:** *monthly opportunity for a chat, support and information for those looking after someone.* Bar Hill Tesco community room. Contact Laura Green: 01480 499090.

Tuesdays: 2–3 pm *(booking required)*. **Computer buddying:** *help with basic IT skills, aimed at beginners over 50yrs.* Bar Hill Library. Contact the Library: 0345 045 5225.

Wednesdays: 6.30–7.15pm. Shape & tone: *low impact, toning, pilates and stretch exercises*. Bar Hill Church. Contact Simon Gurry: 01223 236945 for more information.

Wednesdays: 10.30am. Bar Hill Health Walks: *(see page 2 for more details)*.

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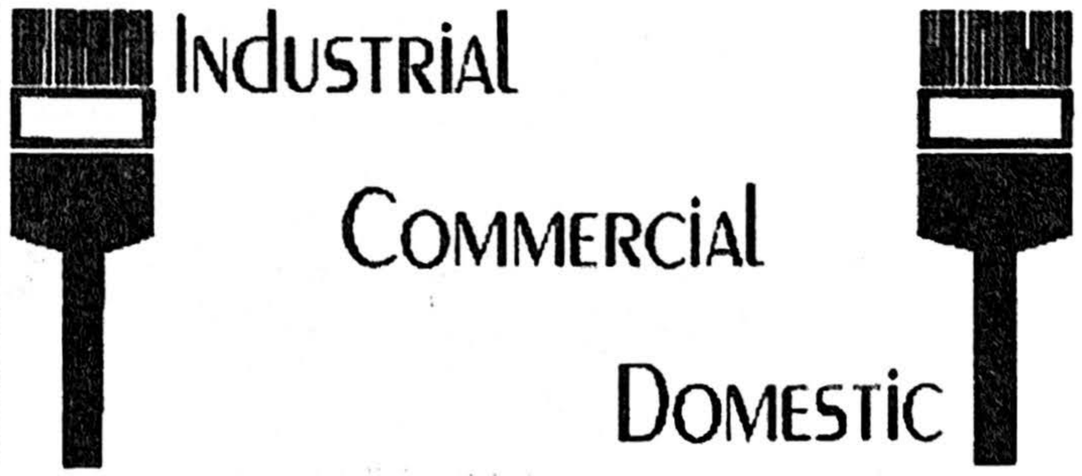

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To ensure you keep your home safe from fire, follow our Top Tips below:

- Whatever fire you have or fuel you burn it is vitally important to have your chimney swept to avoid a build-up of ash and soot
- Avoid burning resinous woods (that build up soot)
- Only burn fuels suitable for your burner (eg: never burn anything other than wood in a wood burner)
- Do not overload the grate/ appliance
- Do not bank fires too high and remember to let them burn out well before you go to bed
- Check the hearth, floor and furnishings near the fire for hot sparks/embers
- Do not place objects on or over the mantelpiece which cause you to stand too close to the fire in order to reach them
- Use a fire/spark guard to prevent accidental fires and make sure it has the kite mark or conforms to British/ European standards
- Inspect your chimney breast, particularly the roof space. Make sure it is sound and sparks/fumes cannot escape through cracks or broken bricks
- For each slow burning period there should follow a quick burn to dry out unwanted tar/creosote deposits and to warm up the chimney again

At the end of each burning season and at least once during the season the entire system should be cooled and thoroughly cleaned to maintain top performance.

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— BLACK HORSE —

The race to save Dry Drayton's Black Horse pub is off to a flying start, with money totalling nearly three quarters of the fundraising goal being pledged in under 6 weeks.

That was the message of a second public meeting on 4th August hosted by the Save the Black Horse Steering Group at Dry Drayton Village Hall. About 100 people attended to hear what progress has been made since the Group announced its intention to buy and reopen the Black Horse – and what steps need to be taken next.

"I'm amazed and delighted – the thing I said at the first public meeting was to be gung-ho ready. You're in a very good position now. It's very impressive." said Bernard Lee of Pub is the Hub which, along with the Plunkett Foundation, has been providing guidance to the steering group.

The Black Horse is the last of five pubs that once served the Dry Drayton community. Opened in the 1790s, it ceased trading in January 2017, and the freehold was up for sale. The pub is a designated Asset of Community Value, which allowed the South Cambridgeshire District Council to place a moratorium on the sale so the local community could decide whether to launch a rescue effort.

Since the first meeting of the Steering Group on 26th April, the following steps have been taken toward buying the Grade II-listed building:

- Conducted a survey to determine whether the community wanted to save the pub and, if so, what services it should offer.
- Founded a community benefit society, Dry Drayton Community Enterprises Ltd.
- Launched a pledge drive that at time of writing had raised £187,250, toward the purchase and refurbishment of the pub.
- Received a professional valuation of both the freehold and the leasehold.
- Made an opening bid of £225,000 to purchase the freehold, based on the valuation. (The bid was subsequently rejected, but Group members say it is only the beginning of negotiations.)

Next steps include publishing the proposed business plan, and its prospectus for the pub's shareholder offer – complete with potential tax benefits for investors – although no money will actually be taken until a price for the pub is agreed. Ultimately, the goal is to have an offer for the freehold accepted by the owners so the community can buy the pub. "Then we have to work on fixing it up, select a tenant... and hopefully we'll get to reopen the Black Horse!"

During the meeting, group members addressed rumours that the pub's lease may have been sold. Group members say if the leasehold is sold and the pub reopened, they would welcome the new tenants and be happy to support the pub. However, if the building is not reopened as a pub – or if a change of use is sought for the building – the committee would be prepared to fight the changes. In the meantime, the Group says it hopes to continue accepting pledges until the £250,000 goal is reached.

To learn more about the effort to buy the Black Horse, including regular updates of fundraising efforts and the results of the community survey, please visit www.savetheblackhorse.co.uk.

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— NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH —

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- If no response is made at all, the call will be terminated and assumed accidental.

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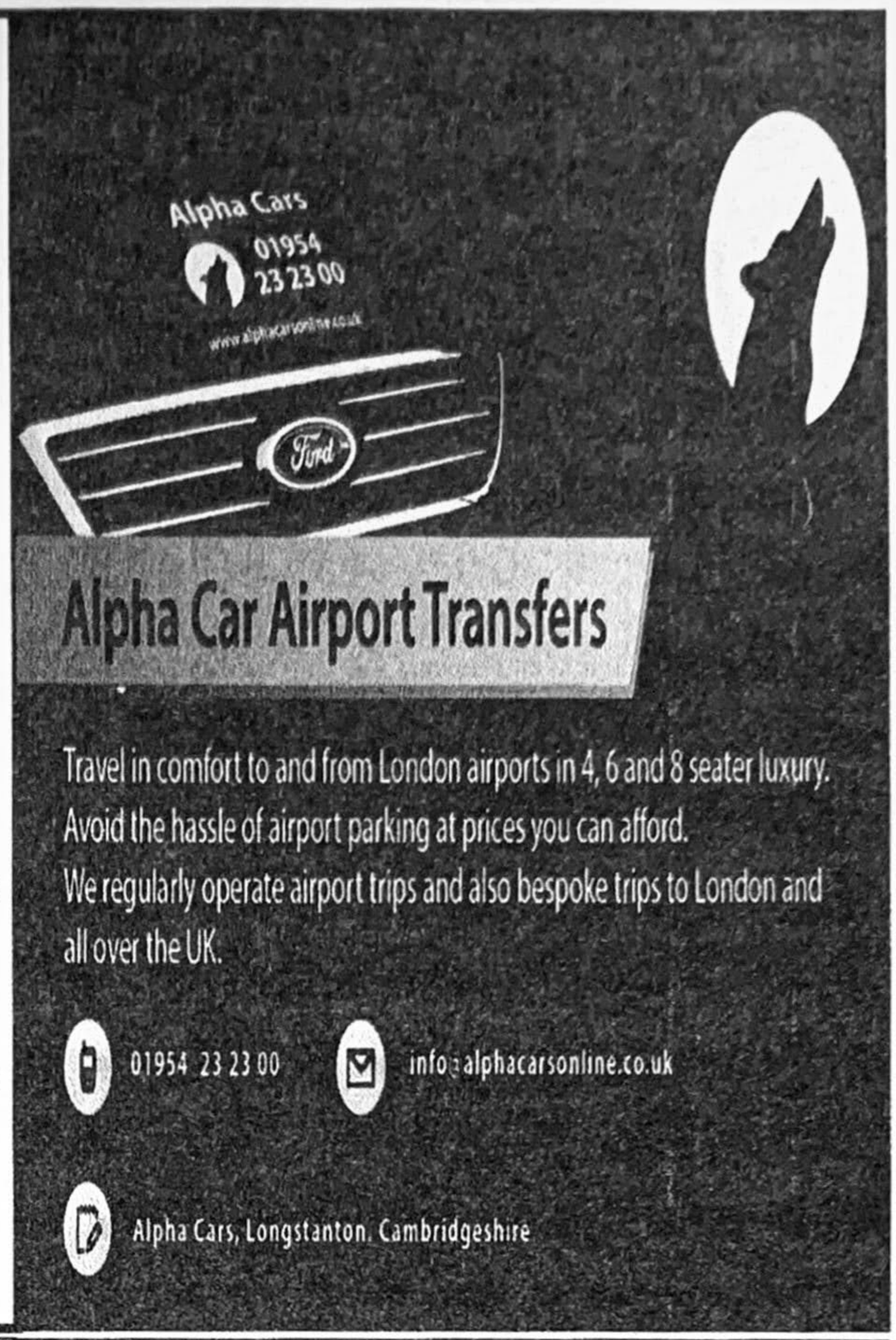

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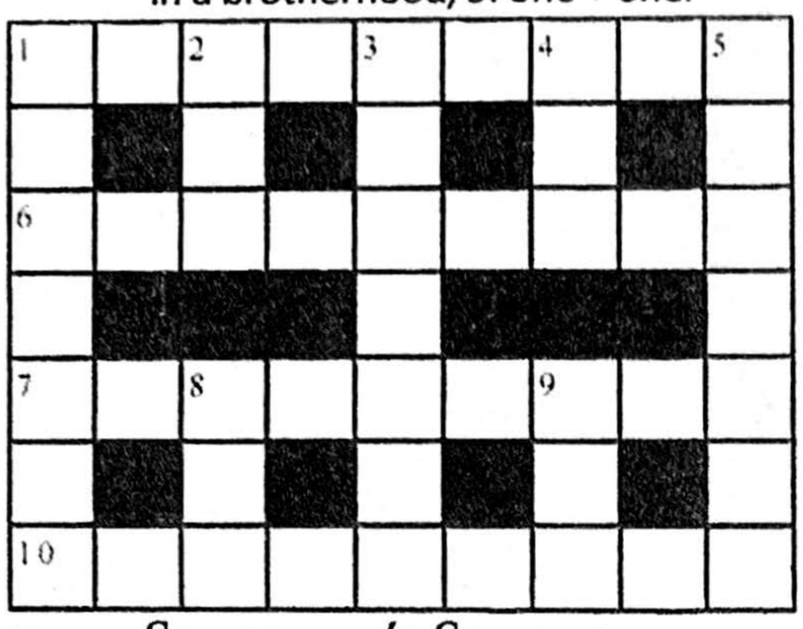
— OCTOBER CROSSWORD —

Across: 1. Scottish capital, 6. variety of melon, 7. before (2, 5, 2), 10. scouring material (5, 4).

Down: 1. art form using a stylus etc. 2. hostelry, 3. guiding lights 4. —- de Janeiro, 5. optimistic, 8. one in a brotherhood, 9. one + one.



September's Solution

Across: 1. palatable, 6. Neolithic, 7. hot potato, 10. road sense.

Down: 1. panther, 2. Leo, 3. tripods, 4. bah, 8. tea, 9. Ann.

— BIN COLLECTION —

5th October black
12th October green and blue
19th October black
26th October green and blue
2nd November black
9th November green and blue
16th November black
23rd November green and blue
30th November black

— THE ALLOTMENT SOCIETY —

Anyone interested in renting space to grow their own produce can be put on our waiting list for membership. Please contact Rob Lawrence, plot allocator, on 07788 590348.

All other allotment matters should be addressed to: barhillallotment@gmail.com.

— USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS —

Out of Hours Medical Emergencies		111
Police Non-Emergency		101
Allotment Society	*Rob Lawrence*	07788 590348
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	Church office	01954 206120
Bar Hill School		01954 273305
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Bar Hill Sports & Social Club		01954 781881
Cambridge Fire & Rescue Service Helpline		0800 917 9994
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Pre-School		01954 782892
Royal British Legion, Health & Wellbeing at Tesco	*Wendy Arrowsmith*	01954 781381
Samaritans		01223 364455
Swavesey Village College		01954 230366

— OCTOBER PUZZLE —

Form nine, nine letter **cinema and television terms**, in groups of three letters.

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Solution for September: DRIZZLING, HAILSTORM, HARMATTAN, LIGHTNING, NORTHERLY, RAINCLOUD, STARLIGHT, UNCLOUDED, WHIRLWIND.

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If you have a sewing job you don't fancy doing, call Lyn on 01954 201113.

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Interested persons are always welcome at Residents' Association meetings.

They are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month at 8pm in the Parish Council office.

Next meeting: 3rd October.

— NWR —
CONNECTING WOMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING

NWR is a national women's organisation with members who enjoy lively conversations both serious and light-hearted. It is for women of all ages who like to be informed and share ideas by actively participating in the content of meetings. We promote friendship and self-confidence for lively minded women. We invite you to join us. Come along to one of our meetings – you'd be very welcome.

5th Oct. Planning Meeting, plus Regional sayings, words and language – can the group guess the meanings?
19th Oct. Famous Authors – Choose your favourite and research.
2nd Nov. Speaker – Talk by 'Everyone healthy' about keeping healthy with exercise and eating in older age!

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings at 8pm. We pay an annual fee of £20 and just £1 per meeting to cover local costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Marie-The Last on **01954 780329** or Jackie Jackson on **01954 781613.**
NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk.
Why not have a look!

— HAPPY HOURS —

Our Club meets most Mondays in the Octagon building of Bar Hill Church from 11am–3pm, with coffee, tea and light lunches.

Our Winter lunch time menu starts in October and consists of soup and a roll or baked potato with butter (at £2 each) or filled baked potatoes (cheese, tuna mayo or baked beans) or a ploughman's lunch (all at £2.30 each).
Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship so why not come along and give us a try? You can have a good old natter, a game or two, or enjoy our other various activities. We would welcome new members.
In September the challenges were drawn up and the games have commenced!

Coming up:
2nd October: "Name Dropping"
9th October: Name – "Emoji" games
16th October: Pointless
23rd October: Games and competitions
30th October: Decorate a pumpkin
Anne Plumb, **01954 780364**

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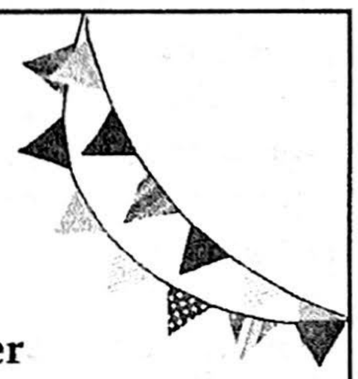
BAR HILL COMMUNITY MARKET



Saturday 7th October
Saturday 4th November
10.30am–2pm
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If you wish to be part of the market please contact Karen Austen **01954 781085.**

e-mail: bar.hill.community.market@gmail.com
Facebook: Bar Hill Community Market

— HEALTH AND WELLBEING CLUB —

Normally held on the second Tuesday of the month between 2–4pm in Tesco Community Room, the group focuses on all aspects of promoting and maintaining good health in every area.
We start with a chair based exercise activity followed by advice from Tesco's departments.
This is a unique and friendly group and is an ideal place to meet new people.
Next meeting: **10th October**
For further information, contact Wendy Arrowsmith on **01954 781381.**

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THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, — BAR HILL BRANCH —

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We are a small friendly group of like-minded people.
You don't need to have an Armed Forces background to join, just share a common cause of supporting our Service Community, now and for the rest of their lives.

— 8 O'CLOCK CLUB —

We are a women's group that meets on the first Thursday of the month in the lounge at the school at 8pm. The cost is £10 for the year plus 50p each month to cover the raffle and coffee.
We have a variety of speakers as well as an annual garden party, birthday party and Christmas meal. Our meetings for the new school year are as follows:–

5 October Tax, Care and Toy Boys.
2 November Robert Barber will talk about his work running the costume department at the Arts Theatre.
7 December Christmas meal, members only.

If you'd like further information please phone Barbara on **01954 204171,** Adela on **01954 204265,** Ann on **01954 204687,** or come along to one of our meetings. We'd be very pleased to meet you.

— BAR HILL BOOK CLUB —

Next meets on **Tuesday 24th October**
at 7.30pm Bar Hill Sports & Social Club
Please join our friendly group. We offer good company and great book choices. Let me know if you would like to come along and I will arrange a warm welcome.
Contact: sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk;
tel/txt: **07920 558319**

— EVENTS CALENDAR —

date	*event*	*where*	*time*
29 September	Fundraising day for Luke Wright *(page 8)*	BHSSC	
2 October	Happy Hours—"Name Dropping" *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
3 October	Residents' Association Committee meeting *(page 29)*	PC Offices	8pm
5 October	A.G.M. Bar Hill Village Hall *(page 1)*	Village Hall	7.30pm
5 October	NWR—planning meeting, plus regional language *(page 3)*		8pm
5 October	8 O'clock Club—tax, care and toy boys	School	8pm
7 October	Community Market *(page 3)*	Octagon	10.30am–2pm
7-8 October	Art Exhibition *(page 1)*	Dry Drayton	11am–4pm
9 October	Happy Hours—"Emoji" games *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
10 October	Health and Wellbeing Club *(page 3)*	Tesco Community Room	2–4pm
10 October	Meeting re extra funds for charities *(page 15)*	CB24 4QU	4–8pm
11 October	Bar Hill Fete Committee meeting *(page 1)*	Village Hall	
11 October	Wildlife Trust talk *(page 8)*	Brampton PE28 4TB	7.30pm
15 October	Breast Cancer walk from Milton to Waterbeach *(page 15)*		
16 October	Happy Hours—Pointless *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
19 October	NWR—famous authors *(page 3)*		8pm
20 October	Brest Cancer Now's wear it pink event *(page 15)*		
22 October	Cruise and Travel Show *(page 4)*	Hallmark Hotel	11am–3pm
23 October	Happy Hours—games and competitions *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
24 October	Bar Hill book club *(page 3)*	BHSSC	7.30pm
30 October	Happy Hours—decorate a pumpkin *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
31 October	Garden Halloween Display *(page 4)*	12 Appletrees	till 9pm
2 November	NWR—speaker *(page 3)*		8pm
2 November	Dog Training Classes start *(page 8)*	Octagon	see p. 8
4 November	Flu vaccination Clinic *(page 8)*	GP	*make appt*
4 November	Community Market *(page 3)*	Octagon	10.30am–2pm
4 November	Rosie at Community Market *(page 26)*	Octagon	10.30am–2pm

Bar Hill School

Bar Hill Community Primary School
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The Autumn weather is creeping in and the term is now well underway at Bar Hill School. While we look back at excellent results last year with Bar Hill children outperforming national and local results by a wide margin and winning county sporting events, we are looking forward to even greater achievements this year. We start this year with the great news of our successful bid for external money needed to complete a community play area in memory of Dawn Miller who was working on plans for a new play area before she unexpectedly died. This work should start within the coming weeks. We very much appreciate the support members of the Bar Hill Community shared for this worthy cause in memory of a much loved Bar Hill resident.

On the theme of building works, unfortunately, the pipes serving our heating system have failed so we will be re-piping 2/3 of our system over the next six months. This means that we will need to re-house Reception in temporary accommodation while working around the scaffolding and compounds needed for builders to complete the construction. In any other school this would be seen as a problem, but typical Bar Hill colleagues saw the opportunity to introduce Forest School learning in Reception while they learn in temporary buildings. As a result we should finish the year with a new heating system which hopefully last another 50 years and a completely new approach to learning in Reception. Readers can see that as we gain financially for one project, we lose for another. 2017 is a tricky time for school finance around the country so any support from the community would be well received. The easiest thing a member of the community can do for us is volunteer time to read and work with our children though any other support would also be welcome. Feel free to contact office@barhill.cambs.sch.uk or headteacher@barhill.cambs.sch.uk if you would like to get involved.

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— LETTERS —

Dear Editor
In her column for the BHN in the September issue, Heidi Allen MP spoke of the additional £1.3 billion found by the Secretary of State for Education for front line schools funding.
What she didn't say is that schools still faced cuts to their budgets which will impact on our children's education.
What she also omitted to say is this is not 'new' money, its nothing more than 'robbing Peter to pay Paul'.
John Doland, Hanover Close
Please note that we don't normally publish such political content in BHN, but as the matter was raised in last month's edition, we elected to publish. However, this is a one-off—no further publication on this or any other political matter. Ed.

Dear Editor
Once again we find October approaching fast!
Gail and Richard will be having a Garden Halloween Display at **12 Appletrees**, Bar Hill, this year hoping to raise funds for the village primary school.
We hope that you will all come along and join in the fun on **Tuesday 31st October 2017**. Lights on when dark until 9pm. We look forward to seeing you on the night.
Thank you and best wishes
Gail and Richard

BAR HILL ROCKETS (Under 13s)

The Rockets started the new season with a trip to Saffron Walden eager to begin their campaign with a strong performance.
After a fairly even first 15 minutes the Rockets took the lead thanks to a great strike from our new captain, Christian Simmonett. Saffron Walden came back strongly and deservedly equalized with 10 minutes of the first half left. The Rockets, however, finished the half strongly and went 2-1 up with a neat finish from Jack Williams. Soon after Lauren Grattidge scored her first goal for the Rockets with a textbook low finish into the corner.
Half-time Saffron Walden 1 – Bar Hill 3
The Rockets, despite kicking uphill, dominated the second half and played some lovely football along the way. Further goals from Ryan Aspen and
Zino Zinnediche completed a brilliant performance.
Final score Saffron Walden 1 – Bar Hill 5
The Rockets hope to build on this in the coming weeks with new additions Archie Tyrell and Archie Wilson adding to their firepower. Well done the Rockets.

Message to all dog walkers
There have been a number of recent incidents where dog mess has been left on the village green. Our various coaches have to pick this up to clear our pitches – but if they miss any there is an obvious danger to the children. Please think about the community you live in whilst walking your dog.

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Form the Future's successful mentoring programme for young people is expanding and they need more mentors to help students fulfil their potential. This year nearly 100 students from eight Cambridge and Ely schools, and local village colleges were supported by a volunteer mentor from the business community. In the next academic year, this number is doubling and they need 100 new mentors from different professions to meet all the areas of interest.
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Mentors receive 5 hours of training from a professional development agency, and Form the Future arranges the matching, the safeguarding issues and the logistics of the meetings (which always happen in school). You will be required to listen a great deal and empathise – providing words of challenge and support once you have built up a relationship of trust.
Research has shown that unemployment and low employment aspirations can be a family trait. Form the Future's mentoring scheme aims to break this spiral of low self-esteem, low aspirations and low achievement. If only 10% of their mentees are inspired to achieve, rather than under-achieve, that could mean 20 Cambridge teens in work, as opposed to on benefits.
Andy Rice, Form the Future CIC, Future Business Centre
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Visit our website: www.barhill.org.uk for updates.

The opening of the **Tennis Courts** and **All-Weather Court** over the summer school holidays was a tremendous success. Youngsters thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the chance to use the facilities with their friends; providing an excellent opportunity for them to meet up and get some exercise and be in the great outdoors. We very much hope we shall be able to do this again. The Connection Bus sessions for youngsters, stationed on the Village Hall car park, was also enjoyed and well supported, and again we hope to bring this into the village on a more regular basis.
We were delighted that we were able to open the new **play equipment** in time for the school holidays and this has provided hours of fun for many. It was agreed that the Community Facilities for Young People Working Party would continue to meet and the next phase will be to sort out some landscaping at the rear of the new equipment, a bounce area for the new goal system and the purchase of a Teqtable for which we are really grateful to Tesco Bags for Life funding – please, please collect your tokens every time you shop and support this Bar Hill project.
Contractors will soon be working on **Hollytrees Stream** to undertake substantial works to improve the banks and help reduce flooding, especially where there has been erosion. We ask for support and patience from all those living in this area to help us complete the project which will, of course, be of benefit to everyone.
Tree and shrub works for Autumn/Winter will start October/November. This is a big project, covering many areas of the village and we ask for your support and patience while the contractors are on site. The works identified have been assessed based on the recommendations of the professional Tree Survey carried out last year and form part of a 3-year programme which will be kept under review and revised next year as part of the Council's long-term management programme. See September Environment and Amenities Committee minutes http://www.barhill.org.uk or at the Council office, for areas of work. The next tranch of identified tree/shrub/green works will be agreed in the new year for the spring/early summer works by contractors.
Flytipping – dumping rubbish on other people's property, and that includes Parish, District and County Council land is illegal! Contact South Cambs District Council as soon as found – www.scambs.gov.uk/form-type/report-it who will send out an officer to gather evidence from the area and prosecute.
Car/Van/Lorry Parking – inconsiderate parking should be reported immediately to http://tinyurl.com/SouthCambs-Parking
The next **Parish Council meeting** will be on **21st September 2017 at 7pm** in the Parish Council Office. Minutes are posted up in the Parish Council window. Items for the agenda must be placed with the Clerk at least 7 days before the meeting.
Visit the **village website**: www.barhill.org.uk for up-dates on local matters including progress of the A14.

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— NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH —

Car Number plate theft

Number plate thefts are regularly happening across the local area and sadly have occurred in Bar Hill. Stolen plates may then be used on vehicles to commit crimes – eg:

- driving away without paying for fuel,
- using an untaxed, uninsured vehicle,
- avoiding congestion charges and tolls,
- major crimes such as robbery.

To avoid being a victim

1. If you cannot use a garage, park in a well-lit area, as close as possible to your home.
2. If parking on your drive, have a motion sensor light and ideally park with one end of the car close to a fence or other solid object.
3. Use **anti-theft screws**, which break the plate if they are removed.
4. Consider **theft-resistant number plates** which break or become unreadable if prised off.
5. Some **dash-cams** might make it easier to prove you weren't driving your vehicle during a crime.

If your number plates are stolen

1. Inform the police (non-emergency 101) and get a crime number.
2. If you receive a penalty notice, respond and challenge it promptly plus notify the DVLA.

Darker Evenings

With the return of autumn comes the reminder to not leave your house in darkness in the evening.

* If you will return after dusk, use timers to bring on lights *but not only in one room where someone can look in and see it is clearly empty.*
* Leave lights on when going out during the evening *but not only in the hall – who lives in their hall?*
* A radio or fake TV can also help make a house appear occupied.

Remember, opportunists look for easy pickings and with a little care we can all make it harder for them.
Pam Vendy, Village Co-ordinator

PUBLIC URGED TO HELP COMBAT HARE COURSING

Members of the public are being urged to be the eyes and ears of the county's rural communities by reporting ongoing hare coursing incidents.
Fields across Cambridgeshire have been harvested and ploughed making them the perfect ground for this illegal blood sport.
The hare coursing season traditionally begins in September and causes damage to crops, harms animal welfare and threatens the rural community. It can result in intimidation and even violence.
Last year (April 2016-March 2017) officers were called to 1,069 incidents of hare coursing, an increase of 44 per cent on the previous year (April 2015-March 2016: 742 incidents).
Chief Inspector James Sutherland from the Rural Crime Action Team (RCAT) said: "Hare coursing remains one of the biggest crimes to affect our rural communities between September and February, particularly in South Cambridgeshire, East Cambridgeshire and Fenland.

— Bar Hill Church —

Kidzone and Totzone

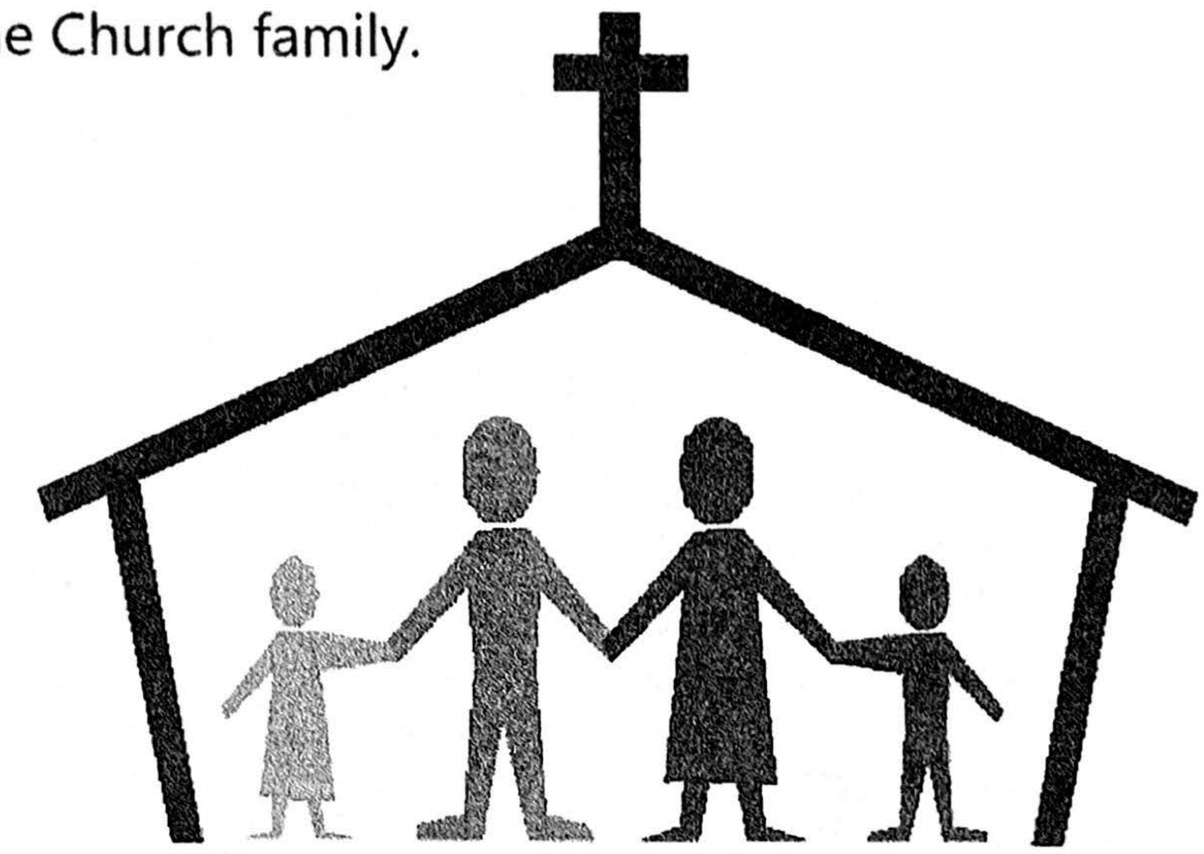
. . . meet in church each Sunday at the beginning of our 10 am worship and leave for their activities in the Octagon (except on the second Sunday).

On the first Sunday of each month they return to share Communion with the rest of the Church family.

All-together Worship

On the 2nd Sunday of each month children and adults worship together in our 10 am service.

There are activities for all ages so everyone can worship at their own level.



Children and young families

in Bar Hill Church

Holiday Club

. . . is for children of primary school age and usually takes place during the summer holidays.

Mission Rescue Reunion

There will be a Holiday Club Reunion on Sunday 8 October in our 10 am service. There will be Holiday Club songs, drama and stories.

~family-friendly & visitors welcome ~

Messy Church

. . . is for children and carers and takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 3.15 in the Octagon.

Join us for craft activities, songs and Bible story and tea.

To know more:

Email Ann Chappell
ann.chappell@barhillchurch.org.uk or come along to any of these activities.

— Bar Hill Church —

Services during October

Sunday 1 October	10.00 am	Holy Communion (with Bishop James Newcome)
Sunday 8 October	10.00 am	All-Together Worship (Holiday Club Reunion)
Wednesday 11 October	10.00 am	Mid-Week Communion
Sunday 15 October	10.00 am	Holy Communion (Reformed)
Wednesday 18 October	3.15 pm	Messy Church (in the Octagon)
Sunday 22 October	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Morning Worship
	6.30 pm	Re:boot
Sunday 29 October	10.00 am	Society of Friends (Quaker service)

BAR HILL CHURCH

spread the word

Social Calendar for September

Olive Tree Coffee Morning Saturday 21st 9.00 am - noon in the Octagon (Meetings Room) (Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Knit & Natter every Thursday 1.15 - 3.00 pm in the Octagon (Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Coffee Stop every Wednesday 10 am - noon in the Library (Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Art Group every Wednesday 1.30 - 4.00 pm in the Church (Contact Jan 01954 201495)

Bring Your Own Craft Group Saturday 21st at 2.15 - 4.45 pm in the Octagon (Contact Karen 01954 781085)

Home Groups To find out more, contact Elizabeth elizabeth.burns@barhillchurch.org.uk)

Jubilee Weekend - Everyone is invited to join us and celebrate 50 years of Bar Hill Church.

Sunday 1 October **Bishop James Newcome** returning to preach in our 10.00 am communion service - followed by a bring and share lunch.

— Catholic Church —

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill
Hills Road, Cambridge

Parish Priest: **Rt. Rev. Mgr Eugene Canon Harkness** Tel: 01223 350787

Local contact: **Bunty Waters** Tel: 01954 201421

Mon., Weds., Thurs., Friday 8am & 12.15pm

Tuesday 8am & 7.30pm

Saturday 6pm: First Mass of Sundays

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge; also 5pm at Cambourne and **6pm at The Octagon, Bar Hill.**

Holydays of Obligation 8am, 10am, 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6.45pm (not after Mass)

Saturday 10.30–11.15am, 4.30–5.15pm, 7.00–7.45pm

Details of other services are published in a weekly newsletter available at the 6pm Mass each Saturday. Copies are also available in the Church Centre.

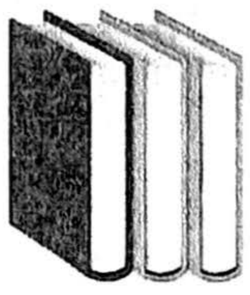
Home Visits

I am happy to bring communion to house bound Catholics. I also visit people at the end of their lives, of any religion or none, who would welcome support or are distressed spiritually.

Contact Jean: 07841 397338, Catholic Eucharistic Minister. Associate Member of the Hospice Chaplaincy Team.

— STORYTIME AT BAR HILL LIBRARY —

Stories and pictures, rhymes, songs and craft activities at 10.30am at Bar Hill Library, on 14th and 28th October.



Storytime is now back in full swing after the summer. We invite parents and carers to bring their children of pre-school age to the Library – and their older brothers and sisters too. Come and join in half an hour or so of book-based fun.

This free event introduces children to their local library and reveals what is to be gained from learning to read. There is no need to book; just come along.

— BAR HILL VILLAGE HALL —

- Conference Facilities;
- Seminars;
- Committee/Meeting Room;
- Training Days;
- Exam Sessions;
- Wedding Receptions;
- Birthday Celebrations;
- Anniversary Celebrations;
- Charity Events;
- Children's Parties;
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During the week we have the following groups and clubs:

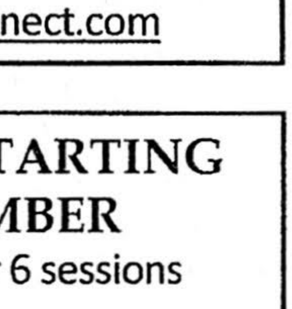
Mon.	Helene Taylor-Todd School of Dance *(school term time only)*	4–6pm
Mon.	Craig Burns Bootcamp	6.15–7.15pm
Mon.	Martial Arts	7.30–9pm
Tues.	Shotokan Karate	6–8pm
Wed.	Helene Taylor-Todd School of Dance	4–6.45pm
Wed.	Danielle Fitness Classes Zumba & Pilates	7–9pm
Thur.	Pilates *(school term time only)*	10–11am
Thur.	Weightwatchers	7–7.50pm
Fri.	Baby Sensory	10.30–12.30pm
Fri.	Martial Arts	7.30–9pm
Sun.	Bingo *(doors open 7pm)* Cash prizes	7.30–9pm

If you wish to book any of these facilities, or get more information, please call **01954 782414** and leave a clear message. We'll call back within 24 hours (Monday to Friday); or e-mail barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com

DOG TRAINING CLASSES STARTING THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Puppy Class (12–20 weeks old) £65 for 6 sessions from 6.15–7.15pm;
Beginner Class (20 weeks+) £65 for 6 sessions from 7.30–8.30pm
Classes will be held in the **Octagon**.
Limited places available. To apply or for more details call Sarah Austen on **07913 690021** or visit www.crazydogladyservices.co.uk

— BAR HILL SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB —



The Sports and Social Club is situated on the top floor of the Village Hall. You can watch live sports on our two large HD TV screens, play pool, darts, skittles, cribbage, or enjoy a drink in our quiet lounge bar.

What's on?

Fundraising Golf Day, BBQ and Disco for **Luke Wight** on Friday **29th September** – £40 per person in teams of four will get you 18 holes at Hallmark Golf Course followed by a bbq and disco at the Social Club.

Not a Member?

Join now for £10, Seniors £5. Pop in and have a look around. Please ask the bar staff for a membership form. For further information, including opening times, visit our website: www.bhssc.org.uk or join us on Facebook at Bar Hill Sports & Social Club.

— MAPLE SURGERY NEWS —

01954 780442
www.mhmaple.co.uk

Annual flu clinic – SAVE THE DATE: 4th November (Saturday). All eligible patients will receive an invitation to attend.

Change of GP hours – Dr Wheeler now works **Wednesdays** and **Fridays** rather than Thursdays and Fridays.

On-the-day appointment bookings – morning and afternoon emergency/on-the-day appointments can now be booked by phone from 8.30am.

Test results and other enquiries – please try to avoid calling the Surgery before 9.30am for anything other than appointment bookings. We can only respond to phone requests for current test results after 2pm.

Free NHS health checks – if you are aged 40–74 years and have not had a health check in the last five years, please contact the surgery to book an appointment.

Shingles vaccinations – this is offered routinely to people aged 70. Please phone for more details.

Repeat prescriptions – remember to allow two clear working days for your request to be processed. We are unable to accept medication requests by phone. You can order via the website, our dedicated e-mail maplesurgery.repeats@nhs.net, or put completed repeats slips in the grey box in the surgery foyer. Please note we no longer accept repeat medication requests from community or online pharmacies or appliance contractors. Patients or carers must request their own medication and advise us of their chosen pharmacy.

The Maple Surgery Team

— WILDLIFE TRUST —

Huntingdonshire Local Group

We are pleased to announce the following events:

Gardening with Wildlife in Mind
on **Wednesday 11th October at 7.30pm**
Iain Webb, the Cambridge Community Conservation Officer for the Wildlife Trusts will speak about how small changes that we can make in our private gardens can make a really big difference in the conservation of our native species. He will show us how to attract insects, amphibians, birds and small mammals by providing the best possible habitats such as ponds, shelter, and food sources. Whether it is by planting the best nectar producing plants or simply by hanging out nuts and seeds for birds and providing bird baths, we can all help!

Wild Sri Lanka: the Pearl of the Indian Ocean
on **Wednesday 8th November at 7.30pm**, we will be hosting Jo Thomas, who invites us to discover the Island's rich biodiversity, from the Sri Lankan blue magpies in the verdant tropical forests to the blue whales off the scenic coastline where turtles also breed. Jo Thomas is the Director of Wild About Travel and she has travelled extensively, particularly across India, for 25 years.

Please contact Tim on 01480 457795 for more information.
Both of these events will take place at **Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB.**
Part of the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire. Registered Charity No: 1000412.

BAR HILL FOOTBALL PROJECT

3G Astro facility available for hire in Bar Hill.
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Bookings Secretary, **01954 781838** or **07770 687437.**

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